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SUBJECT: MILITARY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION

1. WHILE DOD MILITARY PROCUREMENT AUTHORIZATION BILL CONTAINING \$1,126 MILLION FOR MASF FOR VIET-NAM AND LAO HAS BEEN PASSED AND SIGNED INTO LAW, APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST IS RUNNING INTO TROUBLE IN CONGRESS.

2. HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT OF NOVEMBER 26 RECOMMENDED \$1,126 MILLION FIGURE, BUT INSERTED FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN COMMITTEE REPORT: "THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE IS DIRECTED TO DIVEST ITSELF OF THE MASF PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 1975. ANY MILITARY AID TO SOUTH VIET-NAM OR LAOS IS TO BE BUDGETED IN FISCAL YEAR 1975 UNDER THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM". HOUSE PASSED APPROPRIATIONS BILL CONTAINING \$1,126 MILLION FIGURE ON NOVEMBER 30.

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3. HOWEVER, SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON DECEMBER 11
VOTED 14-4 TO CUT MASF REQUEST FOR VIET-NAM AND LAOS TO
\$650 MILLION. BILL WENT TO SENATE FLOOR ON
DECEMBER 13 AND IS PRESENTLY UNDER DEBATE. FINAL FIGURE
WILL, OF COURSE, BE DETERMINED BY CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
ACTION. RUSH

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